

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A crimping press for producing a crimped connection with an upper tool and a lower tool, the upper tool being moved in a linear motion to crimp a contact onto an end of a conductor which contact is laid on the lower tool, comprising: a cassette adapted to be removably inserted into a crimping press having an upper tool, the cassette including a lower tool with a contact advancer and a supply of contacts whereby when said cassette is inserted into the crimping press, the upper tool cooperates with said lower tool to crimp said contacts onto conductors.

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2. The crimping press according to Claim 1 wherein said cassette is insertable from a rear of the crimping press, said cassette having guides and a supporting surface cooperating with guide surfaces and a support surface respectively of the crimping press, and including a positioning mechanism for positioning said cassette horizontally and vertically in the crimping press.

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3. The crimping press according to claim 2 wherein said positioning mechanism includes a drive connected to a guide, and a pusher and a locking lever swiveling on said guide whereby movement of said guide by said drive in a predetermined direction positions said cassette horizontally and vertically.

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4. The crimping press according to claim 1 wherein said lower tool has a vertical cutter guide, a cutter for separating the contacts from a carrier belt and for fragmenting the carrier belt, and an anvil for producing the crimp connection.

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5. The crimping press according to claim 4 wherein said cutter has a slider with a cutting edge and a fixed cutting block with a spring, each contact being separable from said carrier belt by said cutting edge engaging a cutting edge of said anvil.

6. The crimping press according to claim 1 wherein the contacts are on a carrier belt and said contact advancer has an advancing finger executing a swiveling movement and engaging in transporting holes of the carrier belt, said advancing finger being moved an advancing drive.

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7. A crimping press for crimping a contact onto an end of a conductor comprising:

a crimping press having an upper tool movable in a linear motion;

a cassette removably inserted into said crimping press;

a lower tool mounted on said cassette;

10 a supply of contacts mounted on said cassette; and

a contact advancer mounted on said cassette for advancing contacts from said supply of contacts into said lower tool whereby said upper tool cooperates with said lower tool to crimp said contacts onto conductors.

15 8. The crimping press according to Claim 7 wherein said cassette is insertable from a rear of said crimping press, said cassette having guides and a supporting surface cooperating with guide surfaces and a support surface respectively of said crimping press, and including a positioning mechanism for positioning said cassette horizontally and vertically in said crimping press.

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9. The crimping press according to claim 8 wherein said positioning mechanism includes a drive connected to a guide, and a pusher and a locking lever swiveling on said guide whereby movement of said guide by said drive in a predetermined direction positions said cassette horizontally and vertically.

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10. The crimping press according to claim 7 wherein said lower tool has a vertical cutter guide, a cutter for separating said contacts from a carrier belt and for fragmenting said carrier belt, and an anvil for producing the crimp connection.

11. The crimping press according to claim 10 wherein said cutter has a slider with a cutting edge and a fixed cutting block with a spring, each said contact being separable from said carrier belt by said cutting edge engaging a cutting edge of said anvil.

- 5      12. The crimping press according to claim 7 wherein said contacts are on a carrier belt and said contact advancer has an advancing finger executing a swiveling movement and engaging in transporting holes of said carrier belt, said advancing finger being moved an advancing drive.